

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 8-19, 21-31, and 33-38 are all the claims presently pending in the application. New claim 38 is added to ensure that at least one new issue is raised in filing the RCE. There is no excess claims fee involved in adding this new dependent claim since Applicants have already paid an excess claims fee for additional claims and this new claim substitutes for a claim canceled earlier during prosecution.

Applicants' comments in the Request for Reconsideration Under 37 CFR §1.116, filed on July 3, 2007, are still considered as valid and the Examiner is requested to make of record the locations of the cited references that demonstrate the existence of semantic objects for which attributes exist that can be summarized and indexed. Clearly, if there is no extraction of semantic objects in a cited reference, then there are no attributes to be summarized/indexed.

The amendments, if any, are made only to more particularly point out the invention for the Examiner and not for narrowing the scope of the claims or for any reason related to a statutory requirement for patentability.

Applicants also note that, notwithstanding any claim amendments herein or later during prosecution, Applicants' intent is to encompass equivalents of all claim elements.

The Examiner is understood as having withdrawn the statutory subject matter rejection.

FORMAL MATTERS AND CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, including those included in the Request for Reconsideration filed on July 3, 2007, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-6, 8-19, 21-31, and 33-37, all the claims presently pending in the Application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the Application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Frederick E. Cooperrider".

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